

REMARKS

Amendments have been made to the claims so as to amend claim 1 and add new claims 58-126. Original claims 2-57 were canceled by the previous preliminary amendment.

The present claims are supported by the specification, and are believed by Applicant to be allowable. The description supporting the new claims include page 17, the first paragraph; page 18, lines 12-14; page 30, line 14 to page 31, line 4; page 38 lines 4-11; page 41, lines 10-14; page 45; and page 53, the first paragraph.

In view of the foregoing, consideration and an early allowance of this application are earnestly solicited.

If, in the opinion of the Examiner, an interview would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-1698.

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